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November 30, 1982

Mr. James W. Godlove Director of Environmental Affairs White River Shale Oil Corporation Suite 500, Prudential Building 115 South Main Street Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Attention: Mr. Ralph DeLeonardis

RE: Approval of 30 Acre Modification to Phase I Permit White River Shale Oil Corporation White River Shale Project ACT/047/017 Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Godlove:

The Division hereby grants approval for the thirty (30) acre modification requested by White River Shale Oil Corporation during our November 19, 1982 meeting, and outlined in a letter dated November 18, 1982.

The approval is based upon the Division's expressed agreement with the following justifications provided in the above-referenced letter as well as during the Division's on-site tour of the areas in question on November 11, 1982.

- 1. Additional acreage is necessary to complete the sanitary landfill approved by the Utah Bureau of Solid and Hazardous Waste.
- 2. Successful use of the road header machine on the decline may result in earlier than anticipated encroachment of the Birds Nest Aquifer necessitating the availability of the pond at that time and that the additional acreage attendant to its construction is imperative..
- 3. The bonds currently in place with DOGM and BLM are more than adequate to cover this 30 acre additional disturbance. This is especially true in light of the fact that a significant portion of the DOGM bond is posted to cover the removal of buildings not yet in place.

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This approval in no way implies DOGM acceptance or rejection of either the concept or the additional acreage total discussed by White River Shale Oil Corporation during our November 19, 1982 meeting regarding the "squaring off" of operational areas.

If you should have any questions or require any clarification regarding this approval, please don't hesitate to contact me or Tom Portle of my staff.

Sincerely,

JAMES W. SMITH, JR. COORDINATOR OF MINED LAND DEVELOPMENT

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